

December 23	Temperature				Precipitation		
	mean max	mean min	record max highest / lowest (year)	record min highest / lowest (year)	mean	record highest (year)	chance
San Diego	66	48	78 (1989) / 53 (1879)	61 (1977) / 36 (1990)	0.04	2.31 (1940)	20%
Santa Ana	69	45	86 (1989) / 46 (1926)	60 (1994) / 30 (1949)	0.06	0.97 (1909)	17%
Riverside	67	41	82 (1950) / 50 (1995)	53 (1994) / 22 (1990)	0.04	2.04 (1945)	17%
Escondido	69	41	89 (1989) / 55 (1990)	55 (1945) / 26 (1990)	0.06	3.30 (1945)	23%
Big Bear Lake	47	21	61 (1989) / 26 (1974)	32 (1971) / -7 (1990)	0.09	1.73 (1982)	19%
Idyllwild	54	26	71 (1989) / 35 (1948)	48 (1946) / 9 (1990)	0.11	1.82 (1982)	18%
Palomar Mountain	51	35	69 (2005) / 22 (1990)	50 (1951) / 11 (1990)	0.12	2.24 (1945)	17%
Victorville	59	29	76 (2005) / 36 (1990)	54 (1955) / 6 (1990)	0.03	0.48 (1995)	11%
Palm Springs	69	43	85 (1950) / 49 (1990)	56 (1961) / 24 (1990)	0.02	1.36 (1945)	10%
Borrego Springs	68	42	80 (1980) / 52 (1990)	54 (2005) / 23 (1990)	0.03	0.35 (1982)	13%

Periods of record: San Diego temperature: 1872, precipitation: 1850. Santa Ana temperature: 1916, precipitation: 1906. Riverside: 1924. Escondido: 1900. Big Bear Lake: 1960. Idyllwild: 1943. Palomar Mountain: 1938. Victorville: 1917. Palm Springs temperature: 1917, precipitation: 1906. Borrego Springs temperature: 1965, precipitation: 1942.

On this day in...

1995: A snowfall of 12 inches occurred in the San Bernardino Mountains. Eight inches fell on the high desert floors.

1990: A frigid air mass descended all over the West on 12.22 and on this day. Numerous low maximum and low minimum temperature records were broken, even some all-time records. The high was 22° in Palomar Mountain, the lowest maximum temperature on record. This also occurred the previous day on 12.22. The low temperature was 6° in Victorville, the lowest temperature on record for December, and the fourth lowest temperature on record. The low was 23° in Borrego Springs, the lowest temperature on record for December, and the second lowest temperature on record (the lowest was 20° on 1.5.1971).

1971: A series of wet storms hit the region during this week starting on 12.22 and ending on 12.28. 19.44 inches fell in Lake Arrowhead, 15.26 inches in Lytle Creek, 12.31 inches in Big Bear Lake, 7.49 inches in Palomar Mountain, 5.45 inches in San Bernardino, 4.98 inches in Santa Ana, 3.92 inches in Redlands, 3.04 inches in Riverside, 2.28 inches in San Diego, 1.24 inches in Palm Springs, and 1.02 inches in Victorville. Extensive street flooding occurred across the region. This day marked the start of seven consecutive days (the most on record) of measurable precipitation in Victorville, which ended on 12.28. This also occurred on 2.18-24.2005, 1.13-19.1993, and 2.14-20.1980.

1945: A very wet storm struck Southern California on 12.22 and on this day. Numerous daily precipitation records were set.

1940: A massive storm that started on this day ended on 12.24. 3.62 inches of rain fell in San Diego, starting on this day and ending on 12.24, the greatest 24-hour amount on record. Heavy rains loosened soil in Del Mar that led to a landslide along a train track, derailling the train and killing three.

1891: A period of very cold weather started on this day and ended on 12.30. San Diego pools had ice 0.5 inch thick on the surface and ice one inch thick formed on oranges on trees in Mission Valley.